

Thoughts At Midnight

1.

Arbitration is a secondary impulse;
the delight at being alive, at having
survived the horrendous adventures may still
be entitled that (loveably, and adhering
to interstices of the momentary) word:
Gratitude. In literature, it becomes
style. In politics, expenditure.
In religion, ecstasy. But how
about day-to-day living?

2.

Failure is the preservation
of Quality.

3.

Idle thought!
Idle America!
Useless commerce ...
which every country
must keep imitating.

It Costs Money To Look Poor

By chance, at the Dry Cleaners, the man
behind the counter showed me some Indian-
type jackets brought in by those poor
looking kids, each one costing fifteen
dollars to be cleaned, because they're
real suede, and have to be handled deli-
cately, like Marie Antoinette's silk girdle.
Oh, the poor Indians. Oh, the poor kids.
Into whose pocket drops the Revolution?

-- Jane Mayhall

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